

ROPER

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Friday, February 20, 1976



RETIREE

March 1, will be the official retirement date for COLMAN (Tommy) SHEEHAN, Fireman in the Boiler Room. TOMMY reached his 65th birthday on Feb. 13 and will be leaving with over 40 years of service, all of it in the boiler room. His plans call for just tinkering around the homestead at 378 W. Mulberry in Kankakee. Any big plans will, of necessity, be postponed since MRS. SHEEHAN will continue to work at Roper Kankakee for another five years. The SHEEHANS have a farm in Wisconsin which TOMMY may visit more often than usual and he also plans to spend more time with his grandchildren. He says he has enjoyed his job here and will miss all the guys. He will be missed too.

FIRE

Magnesium is one of the lightest and most durable of substances, but also one of the most highly inflammable when it is being worked up to the finished product. Last Saturday about 9:45 a.m. a magnesium fire broke out in D/25 on the crankcase machine. BILL MORRIS and BILLY SPAULDING, the operators, did such an outstanding job of extinguishing the blaze that there was no damage to the machine and the fire was out almost immediately. However, the fire spread to the overhead dust collectors where it became a more serious problem. At least a dozen additional employees pitched in immediately to fight this fire and eventually contained it.

All of the people who collaborated to successfully fight this blaze should be commended for their fast and efficient response to what could have been far more serious than it was.

WORK INJURIES

For years and years employees who sustain injuries at work have followed the same procedure. They report to 1st Aid and the nurse determines the extent of the injury, either administering 1st Aid or, in the case of more serious injuries, send the employee to the doctor. This procedure has worked well for a long time, but lately some employees have been fouling up the procedure by acting as nurse all by themselves. There have been several instances where men, after reporting an initial injury that was very minor in nature, have decided on their own to go to a doctor without even notifying the nurse. This would be OK if they plan to pay the doctor, but invariably they then come in and expect the company to pick up the tab.

Whenever a man is injured seriously enough to see a doctor it is only right that the company should pay for the visit, but it is also only right that the company know in advance of the visit.

FOR SALE: Cobra 135 Sideband Base CB and D-104 Power Mike, 3 mo. old, \$460.00, Bearcat Scanner with 8 crystals, 2 mo. old, used twice, \$120.00 and Kingston Bass Guitar and Case, \$35.00. Call 698-2331 or 698-2042.



SEE IF "WE THE PEOPLE" FITS BETTER.



OLD TIMER OF THE WEEK

This week's honored employee FRANK MCNASH, started his Bradley career on July 5, 1943. At the time he was only 18 but had already worked at Jaffe Drug Store for three years. His first assignment was in the core room of the Foundry and he stayed in the Foundry for twelve years transferring to Furniture when the Foundry closed. After four years, he made his last move to the Forge Shop where he has been a welder for the past sixteen years being now classified as Set-Up Man.

FRANK'S marriage ended in divorce about five years ago and there are two children. FRANK JR. who formerly worked here in the Forge Shop, now lives in Colorado. Daughter Sandra, teaches Physical Education at McMasters University in Toronto, Canada and is working on a Doctors Degree.

This fine Old Timer is a great golfer and besides playing in the Roper League in the summer he plays, all year long. He says he and his golfing buddies FRED DUST and GIL BERGMAN played five times between Christmas and New Years and have never failed to play at least once each month all winter. He also loves bowling and fishing. He is a member of the Plant Fire Brigade, a former member of the plant safety committee, a former steward in Local 1184, and was a member of the negotiating committee for the Molders Union during his foundry years.

BLOOD PROGRAM

It appears that our blood program has slacked off considerably in recent weeks. It is to be hoped that Chairman, DON MATHIS and his committee will be able to revive the program again now that more people are back to work.

The following good citizens were recent donors:

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| Arthur Van Emigh | Methods |
| Barbara LeClair | Purchasing |
| Don Mathis | D/66 |
| Louis Marcotte | D/25 |

"NOBODY MISSES THE "5" PIN?"

WILLARD ESSINGTON, who retired from work here at the age of 65 about seven years ago showed the rest of us how to bowl Monday night. He rolled 190-20' 221-614. Nice going WILLARD.

More of our bowlers with good games and series were: T. DUPUIS 226-583, FISHER 212-504, BUTLER 538, GALE ALBERS 532, HIRT 519, BLANCHETTE 519, R. FORBES 512 and ARSENEAU 510. Not bad for a bunch of amateurs.

It must have been a good night for picking up splits or people just felt like writing down those that were picked up. HISEL 5-810, COURVILLE 5-10, LAFOND 5-7, BLANCHETTE 5-7, MATHEWS 5-7, DANKEL picked the 5-10 twice, CONNOVER 5-10 and RAIMONDO 5-7.

The race for top bowler has developed into a two man race between BOB CRAWFORD with a 178 and TERRY DUPUIS 177. Other top bowlers and their averages are:

Willard Essington	170	Ernie Perkins	164
Danny LaFond	170	Stan Butler	158
Ron Hirt	167	Gary Albers	157
Don Blanchette	166	George Fisher	157
Gale Albers	165		

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